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Econ Off reviewed reftel points with Ranko Vilovic, Head of the UN Department at the Croatian MFA, on May 3. Vilovic said that Croatia shares U.S. views about Zimbabwe's candidacy for chairmanship of the CSD, which is also a coordinated EU position. Croatia will work with the African Group to find another suitable candidate, but is also prepared to vote against Zimbabwe if that outcome cannot be avoided. Vilovic noted that the African Group countries have been resistant to pressure thus far. He added that Croatia is a candidate in the upcoming elections as well.

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